

Jonah's Whale Problem Solved by Prof. Haupt.

SCIENCE has come to the rescue of Jonah. Science and the higher criticism have been severely denounced by those who pin their faith to a literal reading of the Bible, but now science comes forward in the person of Prof. Paul Haupt of the Johns Hopkins university to prove that the much-debated Bible narrative was right.

The story of Jonah and the whale has always been one of the favorite subjects of those who would like to prove that the Bible stories were myths. They have pointed out that there are no whales in the Mediterranean, and never have been, and that the whale's gullet was so small it could not swallow a potato, much less a man. Prof. Haupt presents conclusive evidence not only of the presence of whales in the Mediterranean in Jonah's time, and also of their ability to swallow the prophet whale.

More important still, he shows that a whale was the only vehicle Jonah could have employed in those times to travel in three days from Joppa, where he was thrown overboard, to Alexandretta, where he was cast ashore.

It would have taken two weeks for such a journey to have been performed by traveling overland on horseback. A

ship would have taken longer than three days to have made the voyage from Joppa to Alexandretta, because at that time ships sailed only in daylight, always casting anchor at night.

This is what Prof. Haupt says: "Four years ago I remarked that a competent archaeologist must have more than a bowing acquaintance with all branches of science. His philological equipments enable him merely to read the records of the past, but even the translation of an ordinary historical text presupposes a large amount of knowledge, not only of philology, history, chronology, geography, ethnology, but also zoology, botany and mineralogy."

I pointed out some conclusions I had reached on the basis of mineralogical considerations, with regard to two important problems in archaeology—King Solomon's mines and Alexander the Great's expedition to the east.

Acting on the same basis, I have reached other conclusions concerning another zoological problem, namely, Jonah's whale. We all know Jonah, the prophet, was commanded to go to the east to preach repentance in Nineveh, but he boarded a vessel at Joppa, and tried to go west instead, to Tarshish, in southern Spain. The Bible tells us he was thrown overboard and swallowed by a whale, which vomited him out again after three days and three nights, alive and well.

It has been repeatedly pointed out that a whale could not swallow a man, and that even if it did, no man could live for three days inside of such an animal.

George A. Smith, professor in the University of Chicago, in his "Expositor's Bible," the statement: "And this is the tragedy of the Book of Jonah, that a book which is made up of one of the most sublime revelations of truth in the Old Testament should be known to most only for its connection with a whale."

The original text speaks only for a great fish. The popular conception that Jonah was swallowed by a whale is based on Matthew xii, 40. Jesus says: "An evil generation seeketh after a sign; and there shall be no sign given to it but the sign of the prophet Jonah. For as Jonah was three days and three nights in the belly of a whale, so shall the Son of man be three days and three nights in the heart of the earth. The men of Nineveh shall rise in judgment with this generation, and shall condemn it: because they repented at the preaching of Jonah; and behold a greater than Jonah is here."

The Great text of Matthew xii, 40 refers to a sea monster, which is not necessarily a whale. Certain exposures have declared that the whale referred to was the name of a ship that picked up Jonah, or the name of an inn on the seashore.

Orthodox theologians who defend the historical character of the Book of Jonah generally suppose that the great fish which swallowed Jonah was a shark. Sharks exist in the Mediterranean, and large enough to swallow a man whole. Prof. Post of the American college, Beirut, Syria, saw a shark there 20 feet long, and they sometimes

attain a length of 30 feet. Sharks may swallow men and even horses and other large animals whole.

In certain theological commentaries we find the remarkable statement that in 1738 a sailor fell overboard and was swallowed by a shark. The captain commanded his men to train a gun upon the shark, and the monster was hit by a cannon ball. The shark vomited the sailor who was picked up by a boat. He had hardly suffered any injury. We must remember, however, that all that happened in 1738. I personally did not see it.

Against the traditional story in the Bible the objection is often raised that there are no whales in the Mediterranean, and that the gullet of a whale is not large enough to admit a man. Now there is no doubt of the existence of whales in the Mediterranean. Large whales are preserved in the museum of the Syrian Protestant college at Beirut. One of the animals was cast up on the shore near Tyre, not far from the traditional site of the ejection of Jonah. The other drifted ashore at Beirut itself.

The gullet of a right whale would not admit a man, it is true; but the sperm whale has a gullet quite large enough to swallow a man. Sperm whales are found in the Mediterranean. In the cuneiform annals of Assur-nasir-pal, who reigned over Assyria 855-830 B. C., it is stated that his royal predecessor, Taglathpileser I., who reigned about 1100 B. C., boarded Phoenician ships at Arvad, near the northeast of the Mediterranean, and slew a physeter, or blower, with ivory teeth; in other words, a sperm whale. The scientific name of the sperm whale is physeter, which in Greek means blower. The blower slain by the ancient Assyrian king must have been a sperm whale, because in another passage of the cuneiform annals of Assur-nasir-pal we find that this Assyrian king received as tribute from Tyre and other places on the Phoenician coast ivory teeth of the blower, the creature of the sea. The sperm whale has on each side of the lower jaw from 20 to 25 teeth, consisting of the finest ivory. They are about five or six inches long and project about two inches from the gum.

The giant sperm whale attains a length of about 100 feet, with a girth of 40 feet. The Arabic name of the sperm whale is umbar, which means passing through the water. Umbar is also the name of the fragrant substance which we call ambergris, or gray amber, in distinction from yellow amber or French amber. Ambergris is the morbid concretions from the alimentary tract of the sperm whale. Like the bezoar found in the stomach and intestines of certain animals, especially the wild goat, known as the bezoar goat, in the Ethiopic Bible the name umbar is used for the great fish which swallowed Jonah.

In the new Lutheran Church Gazette of 1895, page 306, it is reported that a whale hunter, James Bradley, was in February, 1891, swallowed by a whale, and on the following day he was taken alive out of its stomach. He lay in a swoon in the belly of the whale. The sailors had much difficulty in restoring him to consciousness. It was not till after three months' nursing that James Bradley recovered his reason.

We must assume that the whale swallowed Jonah near Joppa and cast him ashore at Alexandretta.

Now, from the northeast end of the Mediterranean it was easier for Jonah to proceed to Nineveh, especially if he went down the Tigris, than if it would have been to return to Jerusalem. The whale could swim from Joppa to Alexandretta in three days and three nights. If Jonah had traveled overland on horseback it would have taken him more than two weeks. The trip from Joppa to Half, which represents but one-sixth of the entire distance from Joppa to Jerusalem or to Alexandretta, requires from two to three days.

Pliny says of the physeter, the sperm whale, that it is the largest animal in the Gallic ocean, the Bay of Biscay. It raises itself an enormous pillar, towering above the sails of the vessels and spouting a flood of water. Sperm whales often do raise their enormous square heads above the water. The head of a giant sperm whale is sometimes more than 30 feet in length.—Chicago Record-Herald.

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